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SUBJ: USSR VISIT OF AMSPEC JONATHAN MOORE--LITERATURNAYA GAZETA
ARTICLE

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1. AS INDICATED PARA FOUR REF, APRIL 7 ISSUE OF
LITERATURNAYA GAZETA CARRIED REPORT ON "INTERNATIONAL
LIFE" PAGE OF JONATHAN MOORE'S VISIT TO AND DISCUSSION WITH
LIT GAZ STAFF. ARTICLE IS PRINTED UNDER RUBRIC "CHRONICLES
OF DETENTE" AND CARRIES TITLE "JONATHAN MOORE: LONG,
STEADY PROCESS."

2. TRANSLATION OF ARTICLE FOLLOWS:

THE NAME OF JONATHAN MOORE IS WELL KNOWN IN BUSINESS
AND POLITICAL CIRCLES OF THE USA. HE HELD A
NUMBER OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICES IN PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION:
HE WAS SPECIAL ASSISTANT ON FOREIGN POLICY
TO THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE AND TO THE
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE. AT THE PRESENT TIME,
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MOORE HEADS THE HARVARD UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE OF

POLITICAL RESEARCH.

WHILE IN MOSCOW, MR. MOORE VISITED THE "L. G." EDITORIAL OFFICE. DURING A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE COMING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS IN THE US AND SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS, HE SAID IN PARTICULAR :
"I BELIEVE THAT A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE US PUBLIC SPEAKS OUT IN FAVOR OF DETENTE. ALTHOUGH DETENTE CAUSES A LOT OF ARGUMENTS TODAY, IT IS SURELY SUPPORTED BY THE MAJORITY OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THE PROCESS OF DETENTE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED TEMPORARY AND STATIC. THIS PROCESS SHOULD NOT BE MADE DEPENDENT ON THE PRESENT ELECTION CAMPAIGN. DETENTE IS A LONG, STEADY PROCESS WHICH BRINGS WITH IT BROAD AND DIFFICULT TASKS. BUT THIS PROCESS CAN DEVELOP SUCCESSFULLY ONLY IF SUPPORTED BY CONCRETE MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST. I REPEAT, I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN COULD, IN PRINCIPLE, CAUSE ANY SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE TO THE POLICY OF DETENTE, THE WISDOM AND FORESIGHT OF WHICH ARE UNDERSTOOD BY ALL REASONABLE PEOPLE. I AM SURE THAT THIS POLICY WILL STILL ATTRACT AMERICANS AFTER THE ELECTIONS ARE OVER. IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN ARE STILL INTERESTED IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF MUTUALLY-BENEFICIAL TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION. MILITARY DETENTE HAS GREAT IMPORTANCE FOR THE PEOPLES OF OUR COUNTRIES AND OF THE ENTIRE WORLD, AND IT SHOULD ACCOMPANY POLITICAL DETENTE. MUCH IS YET TO BE DONE IN THIS FIELD, ALTHOUGH AGREEMENTS ALREADY REACHED AND PRACTICAL STEPS OPEN ENCOURAGING PERSPECTIVES IN THIS AREA..." END ARTICLE TEXT. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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3. COMMENT: EMBOFF ACCOMPANYING MOORE TO LIT GAZ DOES NOT RECALL ANY MENTION OF "MILITARY DETENTE" OR ANY SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON ATTITUDES OF AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN. MOORE ALSO STATED HIS BELIEF THAT ALL PRINCIPAL PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES SUPPORT GENERAL CONCEPT OF DETENTE, WHILE LIT GAZ EDITORS WERE QUITE CRITICAL OF REAGAN
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